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**Estimated U.S. Live Poultry Slaughter Under Federal Inspection**  
**For Week Ending 22-Jul-00 (Thousand Head)**

	Current Week	Previous Week
	07/22/00	07/15/00
Bro-Fry	161,229	160,294
Lt Hens	1,862	1,839
Hvy Hens	1,665	1,541

**U.S. Fowl Slaughtered In Canada**  
**Weeks Ending 15-Jul-2000 (Thousand Head)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	587	16	603
Last Week	411	11	422
Same Wk Yr Ago	542	0	542
To Date 2000	13,672	95	13,767
To Date 1999	13,887	182	14,069
(R) Revised			

Source: Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division

**Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered In The U.S. And Canada**

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total
Head	2,469	1,444	3,913
Last Week	1,673	1,097	2,770
Same Wk Yr Ago	2,520	1,089	3,609
To Date 2000	68,697	39,121	107,818
To Date 1999	74,516	38,071	112,587

**Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection**  
**Week Ending 15-Jul-00 (Thousand Head)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	161,559 (A)	1,882	1,428	3,310
Avg Wt	5.01	3.48	7.96	5.41
Last Week	135,659	1,262	1,086	2,348
Same Week Yr Ago	158,335	1,978	1,089	3,067
Avg Wt	4.98	3.41	7.88	5.00
To-Date/2000	4,320,869	55,025	39,026	94,051
To-Date/1999	4,234,663	60,629	37,889	98,518

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier were 157.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 163.5 million head or 6.1 million head less than or 104 percent of estimated fryers available.

(R) Revised

**Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection,  
Classified By Live Weight, Week Ending July 08, 2000**

	(A) Fast Food/Food Service 4.20 Lbs & Down	(B) Retail 4.21-5.25 Lbs	(C) Deboning 5.26 Lbs & Up
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Head	31,470	35,327	34,107
Avg Weight	3.76	4.80	6.10
% Of Total /1	31%	35%	34%
Comparisons			
Last Week	27,193	34,195	39,102
Avg Weight	3.65	4.80	6.01
% Of Total /1	27%	34%	39%
Same Week, Yr Ago /2	30,422	30,884	34,471
Avg Weight	3.83	4.80	5.93
% Of Total /1	32%	32%	36%

To Date/2000	895,527	867,920	1,114,117
To Date/1999	876,867	761,680	1,180,699

/1 May Not Total To 100% Due To Rounding

/2 Comparable Week

(A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.

(B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.

(C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

**Live Turkeys Slaughtered Week Ending 15-Jul-00  
(Thousand Head)**

	Young Hens	Toms	Young Breeder	Old Breeder	Total
Head	2,223	2,925	36	15	5,199
Avg Wt	15.43	32.78	24.33	25.57	25.28
Head Sltr Comparisons					
Last Week 06/03/00	1,572	2,212	22	1	3,807
Same Week Yr Ago	4,971 (C)		10	35	5,016
Avg Wt	25.51 (C)		28.40	24.66	26.93
To-Date/2000	127,151 (C)		525	859	128,535
To-Date/1999	131,334 (C)		379	935	132,648
CHECK TOTAL	9,282,931	129,539	87,559	208,703	305,493

(B) Includes 166,000 fryer/roasters in 2000 and 55,000 in 1999.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch.  
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